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SUBJECT: UNSC SUDAN SANCTIONS COMMITTEE: VOTING
INSTRUCTION FOR PANEL OF EXPERTS RENEWAL

REF: STATE 102322

¶1. This is an action request. USUN is authorized to vote in favor of the draft resolution, text included in para 3 below, renewing the UNSC Sudan Sanctions Committee's Panel of Experts' mandate for one year. If there are additional substantive changes to this text, please consult Washington for further guidance. Delegations are not expected to make statements, but USUN may draw from the points in para 3 below if there is a need for the Mission to speak after the vote.

¶2. If another delegation breaks silence, USUN is instructed to have the following para (PP7) reinserted into the preamble: Demanding that there should be no aerial bombings nor the use in Darfur, by any party to the conflict, of white aircraft or aircraft with marking resembling those on United Nations aircraft, and demanding that the parties to the conflict exercise restraint and cease military action,

DRAFT RESOLUTION

¶3. The Security Council,

Recalling its previous resolutions and statements of its President concerning Sudan,

Reaffirming its commitment to the sovereignty, unity, independence and territorial integrity of Sudan, and recalling the importance of the principles of good neighbourliness, non-interference and cooperation in the relations among States in the region,

Stressing again its firm commitment to the cause of peace throughout Sudan, full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement of 9 January 2005, and, bearing in mind the Darfur Peace Agreement, completion of the political process, and an end to the violence and abuses in Darfur,

Reiterating the importance of promoting a political process to restore peace and stability in Darfur, and strongly urging those parties who have not yet agreed to participate in negotiations to do so immediately and all parties to the conflict to engage fully and constructively in the process and to cooperate with the African Union/United Nations Chief Mediator Djibril Bassole,

Reiterating the need for a lasting political solution and sustained security in Darfur, deploring that the Darfur Peace Agreement has not been fully implemented by the signatories and not signed by all parties to the conflict in Darfur,

Noting with deep concern the ongoing violence, impunity, and consequent deterioration of the humanitarian aid situation

and humanitarian access to populations in need, and reiterating its deep concern about the security of civilians and humanitarian aid workers, and calling upon all parties in Darfur to cease offensive actions immediately and to refrain from further violent attacks,

Demanding that the parties to the conflict exercise restraint and cease military action of all kinds,

Demanding an immediate and complete cessation by all parties to armed conflict of all acts of sexual violence against civilians in line with resolution 1888 (2009), recruitment and use of children in line with resolutions 1612 (2005) and 1882 (2009), and indiscriminate attacks against civilians,

Commending the efforts of, and reiterating its full support for, the joint African Union/United Nations Chief Mediator of the African Union, the United Nations Secretary-General, the League of Arab States, and the leaders of the region to promote peace and stability in Darfur, looking forward to the full and effective deployment of the African Union/United Nations Mission in Darfur (UNAMID), and expressing strong support for the political process under the African Union/United Nations-led mediation,

Welcoming the announcement from the Department of Peacekeeping Operations of its intention to develop guidelines to enhance cooperation and information sharing between UN peacekeeping missions and the Security Council's Sanctions Committees' expert panels.

Recalling the 30 April 2009 midterm report by the Panel of Experts appointed by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 3 (b) of resolution 1591 (2005) and extended by subsequent resolutions, and taking note of the Panel's final report (S/2009/xxx), and expressing its intent to study the Panel's recommendations further and to consider appropriate next steps,

Expressing concern over the obstacles that have been imposed on the work of the Panel of Experts during the course of its last mandate, including to its freedom of movement,

Emphasizing the need to respect the provisions of the Charter concerning privileges and immunities, and the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, as applicable to United Nations operations and persons engaged in such operations,

Determining that the situation in Sudan continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security in the region,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

11. Decides to extend until 15 October 2010 the mandate of the current Panel of Experts, originally appointed pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) and previously extended by resolutions 1651 (2005), 1665 (2006), 1713 (2006), 1779 (2007), and 1841 (2008), and requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary administrative measures;

12. Requests the Panel of Experts to provide no later than 31 March 2010 a midterm briefing on its work and no later than 90 days after adoption of this resolution an interim report to the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of resolution 1591 (2005) and a final report no later than 30 days prior to termination of its mandate to the Council with its findings and recommendations;

13. Requests the Panel of Experts to coordinate its activities as appropriate with the operations of the African Union/United Nations Mission in Darfur (UNAMID), and with international efforts to promote the political process in Darfur, and to assess in its interim and final reports progress towards reducing violations by all parties of the measures imposed by paragraphs 7 and 8 of resolution 1556 (2004) and paragraph 7 of resolution 1591 (2005), and

progress towards removing impediments to the political process, threats to stability in Darfur and the region and other violations of the above-mentioned resolutions;

¶4. Urges all States, relevant United Nations bodies, the African Union and other interested parties, to cooperate fully with the Committee and the Panel of Experts, in particular by supplying any information at their disposal on implementation of the measures imposed by resolution 1591 (2005) and resolution 1556 (2004);

¶5. Calls upon all States, in particular those in the region, to report to the Committee on the actions they have taken to implement the measures imposed by resolutions 1591 (2005) and 1556 (2004),

¶6. Reaffirms the mandate of the Committee to encourage dialogue with interested Member States, in particular those in the region, including by inviting representatives of such States to meet with the Committee to discuss implementation of the measures;

¶7. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.

END RESOLUTION TEXT.

POINTS FOR STATEMENT

¶3. - The United States believes targeted sanctions do and should continue to play an important role in supporting peace and stability in the region by encouraging reconciliation of those earnestly committed to peace, while isolating and deterring the actions of those who would oppose it.

- The United States is deeply troubled by reports of ongoing violations of the measures adopted by the Security Council, and supports full implementation of UNSC imposed measures on Sudan.

- The Panel of Experts can only be effective if Member States respect the Panel's mandate as set forth by the Security Council. We are carefully studying the Panel of Experts' final report and recommendations to find ways to make the sanctions more effective in assisting with the pursuit of peace and security to Sudan and the region.

END POINTS.

¶4. Department appreciates Missions' efforts.
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